

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

June 25, 2009

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
H-232, US Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Steny Hoyer
Majority Leader
H-107, US Capitol
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Dear Madam Speaker & Mr. Leader:

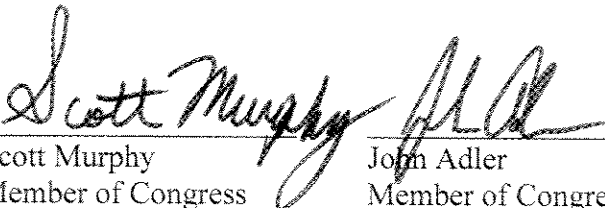
Earlier this year, President Obama outlined the details of his tax proposals to “implement international enforcement, reform deferral, and other tax reform policies.” We applaud the President for recognizing that aspects of our tax code are not working for our businesses or our taxpayers, and we look forward to working with you and the Administration to address these problems.

As members of the New Democrat Coalition, we share the president’s goals of restoring fairness to the tax code, increasing American competitiveness, and promoting investment in the United States. However, during these times of severe economic downturn, we must be careful to ensure that any changes to the tax code will not have unintended consequences adversely affecting the ability of American companies to compete globally.


As Congress prepares to identify potential funding streams to pay for important Democratic initiatives, we respectfully request that you carefully review any changes to the corporate tax structure within the context of comprehensive tax reform. We stand ready to work with you and Chairman Rangel to develop a comprehensive tax reform proposal designed to promote the global competitiveness of U.S. companies and ensure that any changes do not unintentionally stifle economic growth.

We are confident that by working together, we can create a fair corporate tax structure that will provide corporations the incentives they need to invest domestically, create jobs, and ultimately help the American economy recover. We look forward to working with you on these important issues in the coming weeks and months.

Sincerely,



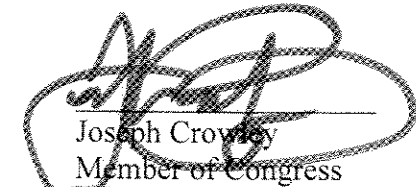
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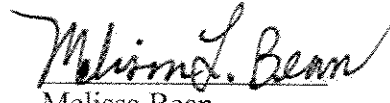
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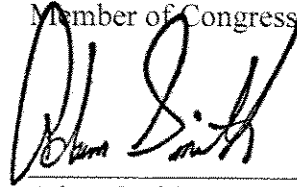
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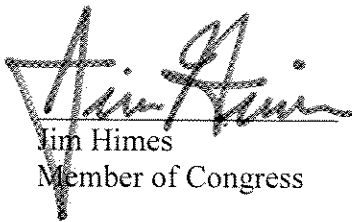
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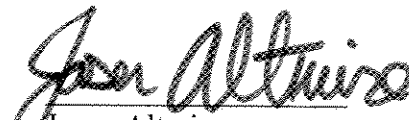
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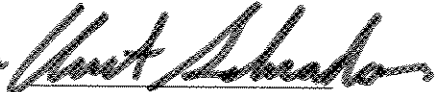
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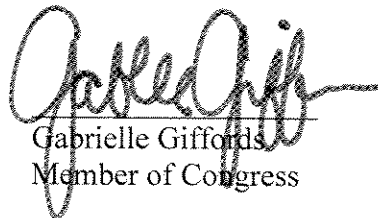
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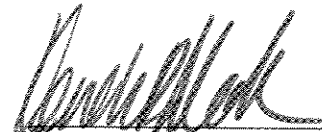
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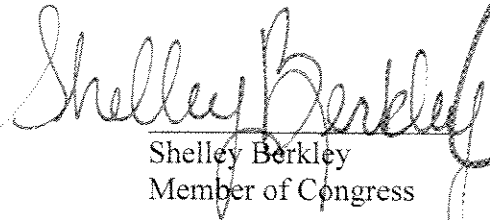
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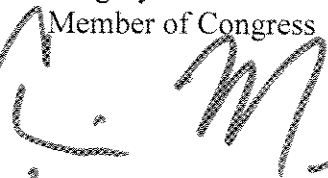
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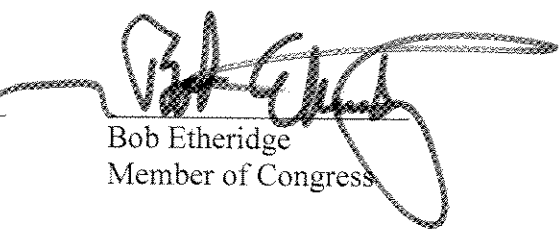
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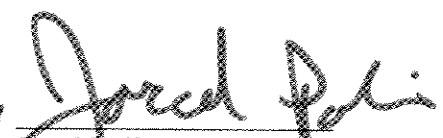
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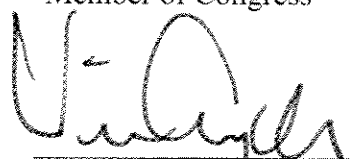
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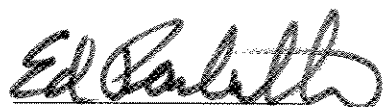

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